HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 773

By Curtiss

A RESOLUTION to honor Representative Eddie Bass for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this body should honor those fellow legislators who have performed their duties with the utmost probity, and whose efforts during their time in office have been dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their district and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Eddie Bass is one such distinguished public servant who has served both his constituency and this legislative body with honor and distinction as a House member of the 105th through the 107th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Bass has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to the good people of House District 65, who have evinced their firm belief in Representative Bass's abilities as a legislator by electing him to serve three terms as their representative, a position in which he has performed admirably; and

WHEREAS, a native Tennessean, born in Giles County, Representative Bass attended Giles County High School and is a highly respected farmer and small business owner, having previously served in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the retired Sheriff of Giles County, Eddie Bass is a graduate of the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy (TLETA) and has also completed that esteemed agency's Criminal Investigation School, as well as numerous law enforcement courses and training seminars offered by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, as an active and dynamic participant in the legislative process,

Representative Bass has rendered sterling service as a member of the Agriculture Committee,
the Judiciary Committee, the Judiciary General Subcommittee, and the Ethics Committee; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Representative Bass received the 2008 Outstanding Legislative Leadership Award from the Tennessee Men's Health Network; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bass is recognized throughout the great State of Tennessee as a dedicated and well-informed legislator who always votes his conscience with the interest of the good people of House District 65 in his heart; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career as a public servant, Eddie Bass has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents, bringing to his office an honorable bearing and the traditional values of hard work and common sense; and

WHEREAS, his many civic and professional accomplishments aside, Eddie Bass is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife Cathy and their two children; and

WHEREAS, Representative Eddie Bass is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized for his distinguished tenure in this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Representative Eddie Bass for his meritorious service to Tennessee as a member of the General Assembly, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the citizens of the 65th House District, and extend to him our best wishes for much success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.